



PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Masaru NORO et al.

Group Art Unit: 3751

Application No.: 10/637,607

Examiner: K. HUYNH

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For: BATHING AID

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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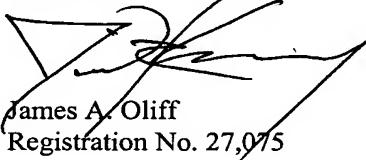
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired January 6, 2006, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 175816 in the amount of \$120.00 in payment for:

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